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## MASONIC BODIES.

Chapter and Council in Session at Portland.

A Gain in Membership Shown in Both Branches.

J. H. Witherell of Oakland Chosen Master of Grand Council.

Portland, Me., May 4.—The second day's session of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Masons was devoted to the installation of the officers elected yesterday and the appointment of the minor officers.

The officers were installed by Grand High Priest F. R. Reddon and Past Grand High Priest Albro E. Chase, acting as grand captain of host. A charter was granted to Castine Chapter at Castine. The committee on returns reported 944 members, a gain of 242.

These appointments were made: District deputy grand high priests, Frank J. Cole Bangor; Wallace N. Price, Richmond; James N. Richan, Rockland; Charles G. Briggs, Rockland; grand chaplains, Leroy W. Coons, Augusta; Ashley A. Smith, Belfast; John M. Boller, Machias; grand captain of hosts, Willis E. Swift, Augusta; grand principal sojourner, W. C. Libby, Belfast; grand R. A. captain, Frederick O. Eaton, Rumford Falls; grand master of 3rd vall, Sanger N. Annis, Waterville; grand master of 2nd vall, Samuel R. Furbish, Brunswick; grand master 1st vall, Allen H. Winslow, Auburn; grand stewards, Hugh R. Chaplin, Bangor; Silas B. Adams, Portland; E. Delmont Merrill, Dover; grand lecturer, Frank E. Sleeper, Sabattus; grand sentinel, Warren O. Carney, Portland.

At the meeting of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters this afternoon the report on returns showed 476 members, a gain of 108. There were 204 candidates and 77 deaths.

The following officers were elected: Grand master, James H. Witherell, Oakland; deputy grand master, Frank J. Cole, Bangor; grand P. C. of work, Harry E. Larrabee, Gardiner; grand treasurer, Leander W. Forbes, Portland; grand recorder, Stephen Berry, Portland.

The officers were installed by Past Grand Master Charles O. Callamors of Bangor, the following appointments being made:

Grand chaplain, Ashley A. Smith, Belfast; grand master of ceremonies, DeForest H. Perkins, Skowhegan; grand captain of guards, Elbert E. Parker, Lewiston; grand P. C. of work, Charles E. Lewis, Waterville; grand steward, James A. Richan, Rockland; grand sentinel, Willard C. C. Carney, Portland.

The Grand Lodge this afternoon witnessed the conferring of the Third degree by Portland Lodge.

The Order of High Priesthood met in the evening. The following officers were elected:

President, W. Fred S. Kimball, Norway; senior vice president, Albert M. Penley, Auburn; junior vice president, Henry R. Taylor, Machias; treasurer, Millard F. Hicks, Portland; recorder, Stephen Berry, Portland; master of ceremonies, James E. Parsons, Ellsworth; conductor, James H. Witherell, Oakland; chaplain, Wm. J. Burnham, Lewiston; steward, Benjamin L. Hadley, East Harbor; warden, Wilbur A. Patton, Portland.

All grades of refined sugars were advanced 10 cents per hundred pounds Wednesday at New York.

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25, CIGAR.

A gentleman's smoke. Now out of the all its competitors. Factory, Manchester, N. H.

## BLOOD STAINS FOUND ON GRADY'S KNIFE.

Result of Microscopic Examination Testified to by Prof. Whittier at Belfast Murder Trial—Grady on Stand Seeks to Prove an Alibi.

Belfast, Me., May 4.—Taking the stand in his own defence, Ira S. Grady of Unity, charged with the murder of Mrs. Harriet French Thomas, today testified in the supreme court that on the night that Mrs. Thomas was slain he left her house at 8:30 P. M., 40 minutes before the woman was stabbed.

Grady made a general denial of the correctness of the testimony given by Sidney Bennett of Belfast, a co-defendant, and showed that he would endeavor to establish an alibi as a defence.

Evidence of the presence of human blood was found upon a knife taken from Grady's overcoat, Prof. F. N. Whittier of Bowdoin testified, when put upon the stand by the State. Five physicians, Dr. Elmer Small, Dr. G. C. Kilgore, Dr. Morris Vickery and Dr. E. A. Wilson were the closing witnesses for the State, which rested its case shortly after noon. All except Dr. Wilson testified that the knife presented in evidence could have caused the wound from which Mrs. Thomas died. Dr. Wilson held that it could not.

Attorney J. S. Harriman of Belfast opened for the defence, reviewing the case and saying that he would try to present evidence of Grady's presence at or near the Commercial House shortly before 9 P. M. the night of the murder.

Grady took the stand and disputing Bennett's testimony, said that until just before Grady left the house at, as he claimed, 8:30, Bennett was asleep in a room off the kitchen where the murder took place. Grady denied quarreling with Mrs. Thomas, saying that when he attempted to enter the room where Bennett lay, Mrs. Thomas merely pushed him away. He testified that having boarded with Mrs. Thomas for three years, he will continue his testimony tomorrow morning. At the opening today Bennett was quizzed by counsel.

Belfast, Me., May 4.—(Special).—The trial of Ira S. Grady, indicted for the murder of Mrs. Harriet French Thomas, was resumed at 9:30 this morning in the Waldo county supreme court. The examination of Sidney M. Bennett, who is also under indictment for the murder of the woman, and who was on the stand yesterday afternoon as a witness in this case, was continued this morning.

Bennett testified that Grady did not drink anything while he was at the Thomas house, and that there was no one there but Mrs. Thomas and himself when Grady arrived. In answer to question as to what he, Bennett, was doing there, he said that before supper they were talking, and after supper they played three or four games of cards. It was only a few minutes from the time Bennett left the Thomas house before he met Deew and told him of the stabbing affair. Said he saw Grady after he left the Thomas house, the first time. Grady was going across Cross street, and then turned on to Main street, and was walking pretty swiftly. Bennett didn't notice but that he was walking straight. He was going in direction towards Commercial House.

Witness thought that by Grady's speech when he was at Thomas house that he was intoxicated, but not enough to stagger. Didn't remember of seeing him again. Witness said that Mrs. Thomas didn't drink any after Grady came, and no liquor was there that he knew of. Witness stated that he himself did not have any knife when at Mrs. Thomas' house. Had one the first of the winter, but left it at Charles Field's blacksmith shop to have two blades put in it. Denied asking Officer Packard if he had seen Grady, or asking him to go find Ira Grady. Told him what had happened, but didn't tell him where Grady was or where he would be likely to find him. Witness in answer to question denied that he had

## THE MILKY WAR RIOTS STARTED

Has Settled Down Into a Case of Endurance. By Mob of 1000 Striking Italians at Providence.

Contractors Say That Are Supplying All Customers. 5000 Textile Workers Vote to Go on Strike Today.

Many Farmers Have Entered the Butter-making Business. 26 Italians Including Strike Leader, Put Under Arrest.

Boston, May 4.—Still plentifully supplied with milk which has so far successfully passed the most rigid inspection and the Board of Health officials, Boston today watched with interest the battle of endurance going on between the contractors and producers. On the one hand it is a question of how long the contractors will be able to supply to the local market without the help of the farmers of New England, while on the other hand the milkmen in some cases are totally wiping out the income which they received from the sale of their milk.

No immediate results are expected from any action which may be taken by the Legislature, as it is not believed committees of investigation so appointed could report inside of several weeks.

The officers of the Producers' Association stated tonight that they might carry the war into the contractors' camp and arrange to have the surplus milk of the New England farmers sent into New York state, where the contractors are now getting their supply. The contractors are little worried, they state, by any such move, as they maintain it would simply lower the price of milk in New York and permit them to make a better deal for their own supply.

The idea of an independent milk depot in Boston in opposition to the established contractors meets with little support from the Producers' Association. Secretary W. A. Hunter declares that a milk depot would melt away before the contractors would let up in a fight against any such proposition and that the farmers are not prepared to go to any such extremes.

In view of representations made late today to Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, the mayor notified Chairman Durbin of the Boston Board of Health that much milk for use was being brought into Boston and that a thorough investigation and inspection was demanded.

Turning to butter a large part of the milk that is being held back from the

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Providence, R. I., May 4.—Five thousand members of the Textile Workers' Union tonight voted to go out on strike tomorrow morning in sympathy with the strike of the 1600 members of the Building Laborers' and Hod Carriers' Unions.

At a meeting of the Providence Central Labor Union tonight, the question of a general strike of all the unions in the city, where the membership is more than 8000 will be discussed. Riots started here by a mob of 1000 of the striking Italian building laborers who resented the refusal of other laborers to join the strike, resulted today in the arrest of 26 Italians, including Police D'Allesandro of Boston, the strike leader. D'Allesandro was arrested before a judge of the police court and fined \$20. He appealed and was held in \$200 which he furnished.

During the rioting, which occurred in several parts of the city, where construction work was in progress, a number of laborers were cut and bruised but none was seriously hurt. Following a disturbance at the Greystone mills, where 35 men were forced to stop work, Supt. Andrews of the mills asked Gov. A. J. Pothier to call out the militia. The governor tonight said that he would not take any action until the county sheriff reported the troubles beyond his control.

Newfoundland Has a Fine Surplus. St. Johns, N. F., May 4.—The revenue received for the 10 months ended April 30, indicates that at the end of June, Newfoundland will have a surplus of \$120,000, nearly twice as much as any previous surplus in the colony's history. Imports are unusually heavy and business of all kinds good.

The body of S. K. Sneed, former president of the National Bankers' Association, was found Wednesday in shallow water near the river brirk at Henderson, Ky. He had been missing since Sunday and is believed to have committed suicide by drowning. He was 72 years old and for 30 years was cashier of the Henderson National Bank.

## 61st CONGRESS.

The Battleship Maine at Last to Be Raised.

Bill Directs It Done "With All Convenient Speed."

The Pension Bill, Carrying \$155,000,000, Is Passed.

Washington, May 4.—After 12 years the ill-fated battleship Maine is to be removed from the Havana harbor and the bodies which went down with the vessel will be interred in the National cemetery at Arlington. A bill providing for such removal and burial which has passed the House, was today passed by the Senate.

The bill directs the raising of the vessel by the secretary of war and the board of engineers with "all convenient speed."

The bodies in the ship are to be buried in Arlington and the mast is to be lifted above their graves as a monument.

THE PENSION BILL.

Measure Carrying \$155,000,000 Passed in Short Order.

Washington, May 4.—In less than 15 minutes time the Senate today considered and passed the pension appropriation bill carrying about \$155,000,000.

Senator Scott who was in charge of the bill, stated that henceforth there would be a rapid falling off in the amount required for the payment of pensions. He said that 31,000 pensioners had died last year.

HOUSE AND SENATE.

Both Branches Devote Themselves to Matters on Calendars.

Washington, May 4.—Abandoning for the time all railroad legislation the Senate and House today were occupied with bills on their calendars. This course was followed because in the Senate no one was prepared to discuss the railroad measure, while in the House the rules made mandatory the consideration of bills on the calendar.

Among the bills passed was one appropriating \$155,000,000 for pensions. (Continued on Page Twelve.)

## THE WEATHER.

PARTLY CLOUDY.

Washington, May 4.—Forecast for New England: Partly cloudy Thursday; Friday fair; moderate north to northeast winds.

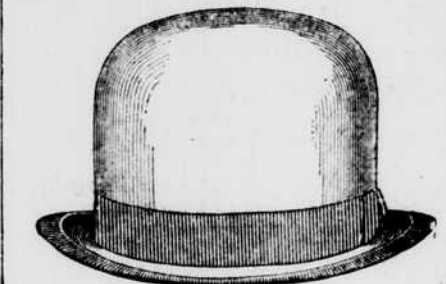
Boston Forecast.

Boston, May 4.—Forecast for Boston and vicinity: Fair Thursday and Friday with little change in the temperature. Moderate northerly to northeasterly winds.

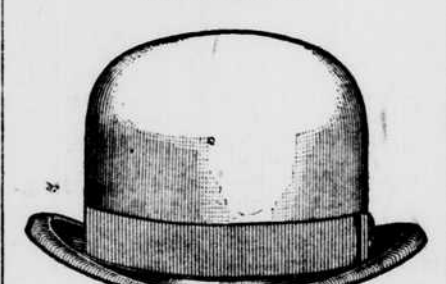
Conditions and General Forecast.

Washington, May 4.—After Tuesday night in the Atlantic states, the weather cleared generally except along the coast and there was no other precipitation of consequence east of the Rocky Mountains. It is considerably cooler in the middle Atlantic states. In the East the weather will be generally fair Thursday and Friday. Frost warnings were issued Wednesday morning for the interior of the New England and middle Atlantic states. The winds along the New England coast will be moderate northeast; middle Atlantic coast, light to moderate northeast.

## Spring Styles



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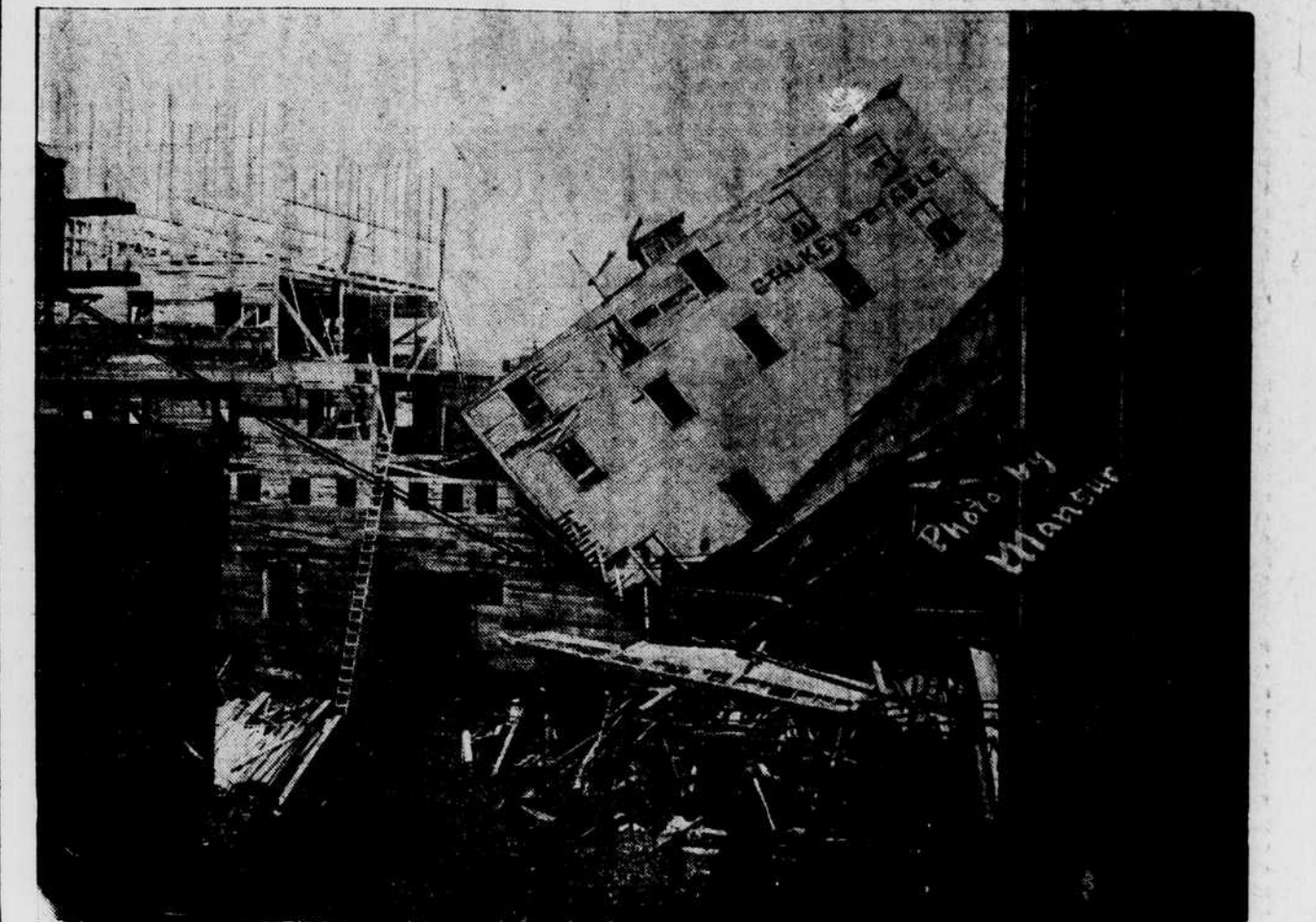
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## STILKEY'S STABLE, AUGUSTA TAKES HEADLONG PLUNGE.



STILKEY'S STABLE AFTER THE DISASTER. The view is from the north, just after the stable, which was being moved from the top of Rines Hill, Augusta, owing to the Railroad changes, to a new site at the foot of the Hill, had plunged onto and through the new part built to receive it.

After having been moved from the top to the bottom of Rines Hill and over the railroad tracks without a mishap of any kind the Stilkey stable had almost reached its destination Wednesday afternoon, when the west end of the new building on which the blocking of the old one rested spread, allowing the east end of the old building to drop, the end crushing down the new portion until it rested nearly on the ground, the west end of the old building sticking up at an angle of about 45 degrees, while under it was the mass of blocking on which it had rested and the wrecked end of the new building.

It was only by a miracle that the accident was not accompanied by fatalities, as a large crew of men was engaged in the work of moving the building, but it so happened that when the building fell all got clear with the exception of two, they being George Cole and Levi Crowell. Mr. Cole was struck in the right side just below the ribs, probably by a piece of timber, and received a very painful injury. He was quickly taken to a nearby surgeon's office where an examination

was made, and while it was thought that the lacerations might be torn no very serious injury was anticipated. Mr. Crowell sustained a fall and received an injury to one shoulder by being struck by a timber. He was, however, able to be about after the accident.

Stilkey & Son have their horses quartered temporarily in the basement of the new stable but they were in the east end of the building and sustained no injury. Under the west end of the new building, however, were three pigs and it was feared that they had succumbed when the snarl of timbers came down about them in the basement, but it was afterward learned that not one of them was injured.

Just what the loss will be on account of the accident could not be stated last night, although it will be considerable aside from that which will result from the delay in the building operations. The east end of the new building is badly demolished and a great deal of work will have to be done in order to put it back in the shape it was before. The old building was badly wrecked, but how badly

could not be stated yesterday. On the second floor of the old building Stilkey & Son had a lot of carriages and sleighs, also a back, the estimated value of the vehicles being about \$3000, and when the building dropped these all went into a corner together. No examination could be made last night and it could not be ascertained how much injury they had suffered.

As to the cause of the accident the theory generally accepted was that the weight of the old building was too heavy for the new and caused it to spread. When the accident occurred the northeast corner of the old building projected over the north side of the new preparatory to swinging the former into position, and Mr. Stilkey said that it only had about 10 feet to go to reach the place desired.

What action will be taken in getting out of the dilemma resulting from the fall of the building has not been stated but it is considered probable that the old building will be demolished instead of an effort being made to raise and right it up.

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## COM. PEARY PRESENTED WITH GOLD MEDAL

By Royal Geographical Society Before Immense Crowd at London, Which Cheers Him to Echo---Silver Medal for Captain Bartlett.

London, May 4.—Before a vast audience which filled every corner of Royal Albert hall, the Royal Geographical Society tonight presented Commander Robert E. Peary with the special gold medal of the society and, through President Darwin welcomed the American explorer as "the first and only human being who ever led a party of his fellow creatures to a pole of the earth."

A silver replica of the medal was presented to Captain Robert A. Bartlett, who commanded the steamer Roosevelt and who accompanied Peary to the last camp before the rush to the pole.

"When the two explorers entered the hall, accompanied by Major Leonard Darwin, president of the society, the great audience arose to welcome them and gave them a reception befitting national peers. Cheer followed upon cheer, the ladies, who outnumbered the men, waving their handkerchiefs and heartily congratulating him on his great achievement. Men who had been in the North before Sir Lewis said at first they watched Peary's work with interest, which had grown into admiration. Captain Scott spoke of the debt present day explorers owed to the American. In presenting the medal, President Darwin said:

"America might well be proud of its own Peary as a citizen."

He recalled that Peary already possessed the gold medal of the society, and in conclusion said that the special medal had been presented to him, not only for his recent achievements but for the work of a lifetime. Both Commander Peary and Captain Bartlett

Arctic explorers, who for centuries made such splendid efforts to reach the pole and paved the way for those coming after.

At the conclusion of the lecture, which was enthusiastically received, Sir George Nares, vice admiral, retired, who commanded the Challenger expedition in 1873, moved a vote of thanks, which was seconded by Admiral Sir Lewis Beaumont, the veteran Arctic explorer, and Captain Robert F. Scott, who will command the British expedition to the South pole this year.

Sir George Nares and Sir Lewis Beaumont, in brief speeches, recalled the rigors of Arctic travel and warmly praised the commander for the courage and self-sacrifice he displayed, and heartily congratulated him on his great achievement. Men who had been in the North before Sir Lewis said at first they watched Peary's work with interest, which had grown into admiration. Captain Scott spoke of the debt present day explorers owed to the American. In presenting the medal, President Darwin said:

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## ENGINE CREW

Save Freight Steamer from Going to Bottom.

Following Ramming by Oil Tank Steamer, Ligonier.

Santurce Staggers Into Provincetown Harbor at Daylight.

Provincetown, Mass., May 4.—With her bow high in the air and her after compartments full of water, the freight steamer Santurce staggered into this harbor at dawn today after a perilous night off the end of Cape Cod following her being rammed last evening by the oil tank steamer Ligonier. Skillful seamanship and a plucky engine crew saved the Santurce from going to the bottom, but her commander, Captain Folker, had no soft words for 17 of his deckhand who, like rats from a sinking ship, scurried over the side of their vessel to the Ligonier while the latter's bow was grinding the side of the Santurce.

The collision took place off Cape Cod light about 8 o'clock last night in the midst of a dense fog. The Santurce had discharged a heavy cargo of sugar in Boston and was jogging along along the Cape for New York. The Ligonier with several hundred thousand gallons of oil under her hatch which she had loaded at Fort Arthur, Tex., was groping her way north through the smother of fog for Beverly.

The Ligonier struck the Santurce on the starboard side abreast of the main rigging. A 12-foot hole, which reached below the waterline, was torn in the Santurce's side.

The deck crew of the Santurce was panic stricken and leaped over the bow of the Ligonier before the two vessels drew apart. Ten minutes after the collision both vessels were out of sight and out of hearing of each other. The Ligonier is equipped with wireless telegraphy and the captain immediately notified a shore station in

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